

**MARYLAND HISTORICAL TRUST
DETERMINATION OF ELIGIBILITY FORM**

NR Eligible: yes ☒ no ☐

Property Name: Michael & Bernadette Wilson Farm Inventory Number: CARR-1710
Address: 3510 Bullfrog Road Historic district: yes ☒ no ☐
City: Taneytown, MD Zip Code: 21787 County: Carroll
USGS Quadrangle(s): Taneytown
Property Owner: Michael and Bernadette Wilson Tax Account ID Number: _____
Tax Map Parcel Number(s): 1 Tax Map Number: 18
Project: MD 140 over Monocacy River Bridge Replacement Agency: FHWA/SHA
Agency Prepared By: MD SHA
Preparer's Name: Anne E. Bruder, Architectural Historian Date Prepared: 04/01/2009
Documentation is presented in: Project Review and Compliance files.
Preparer's Eligibility Recommendation: _____ Eligibility recommended ☒ Eligibility not recommended ☐
Criteria: ☒ A ☐ B ☒ C ☐ D Considerations: ☐ A ☐ B ☐ C ☐ D ☐ E ☐ F ☐ G
Complete if the property is a contributing or non-contributing resource to a NR district/property:
Name of the District/Property: _____
Inventory Number: _____ Eligible: ☐ yes ☐ no ☒ Listed: ☐ yes ☐ no ☒
Site visit by MHT Staff ☐ yes ☒ no Name: _____ Date: _____

Description of Property and Justification: *(Please attach map and photo)*

The Michael and Bernadette Wilson Farm is a 143.9 acre farm on the east bank of the Monocacy River in Carroll County, Maryland. It consists of a dwelling and six outbuildings. Only the two-car garage is not considered contributing to the resource. The Wilson Farm exemplifies the history of farming in Carroll County from circa 1862 through 1965. The farm remains in some agricultural production, but is now used primarily for raising beef cattle by the current owners.

The outbuildings include a 1 storey summer kitchen, a wood frame bank barn, a concrete stave silo, a corrugated metal chicken house and a concrete block shed. The dwelling and the summer kitchen have been clad in aluminum siding and asbestos shingles. The bank barn and silo are not in use and are in fair to poor condition due to lack of use. As a result, the Wilson Farm buildings lack integrity of design, workmanship, materials and feeling.

Research conducted under Criterion A did not identify events of local, state or national significance. While the farm is certainly associated with Carroll County's history of farming, no building or agricultural practices demonstrate that history, and thus the farm is not eligible for the National Register of Historic Places (NRHP) under Criterion A. Due to the loss of integrity either as a result of poor condition or loss of historic fabric, the Wilson Farm is not eligible for inclusion in the NRHP under Criterion C. While the

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MHT Comments:

Jim Janowski
Reviewer, Office of Preservation Services

[Signature]
Reviewer, National Register Program

6/26/09
Date

6/29/09
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well, summer kitchen, bank barn and silo each retain elements that are related to specific periods of history, together they lack the cohesiveness necessary to demonstrate a late nineteenth or early twentieth century farm, and no building or structure is individually significant to be considered eligible for the NRHP. Research conducted did not identify persons of local, state or national significance and the Wilson Farm is not eligible for the NRHP under Criterion B. Criterion D was not investigated as part of this study.

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Date_____
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Maryland Historical Trust

Maryland Inventory of Historic Properties Form

Inventory No. CARR-1710

1. Name of Property (indicate preferred name)

historic Michael and Bernadette Wilson Farm
other Home Farm

2. Location

street and number 3510 Bullfrog Road not for publication
city, town Taneytown, MD vicinity
county Carroll

3. Owner of Property (give names and mailing addresses of all owners)

name Michael and Bernadette Wilson
street and number 3510 Bullfrog Road telephone
city, town Taneytown state MD zip code 21787-1808

4. Location of Legal Description

courthouse, registry of deeds, etc. Carroll County Courthouse liber 1681 folio 525
city, town Westminster, MD tax map 18 tax parcel 1 tax ID number

5. Primary Location of Additional Data

- ☐ Contributing Resource in National Register District
☐ Contributing Resource in Local Historic District
☐ Determined Eligible for the National Register/Maryland Register
☐ Determined Ineligible for the National Register/Maryland Register
☐ Recorded by HABS/HAER
☐ Historic Structure Report or Research Report at MHT
☐ Other: _____

6. Classification

Category	Ownership	Current Function	Resource Count
<input type="checkbox"/> district	<input type="checkbox"/> public	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> agriculture	Contributing
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> building(s)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> private	<input type="checkbox"/> commerce/trade	Noncontributing
<input type="checkbox"/> structure	<input type="checkbox"/> both	<input type="checkbox"/> defense	6
<input type="checkbox"/> site		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> domestic	1
<input type="checkbox"/> object		<input type="checkbox"/> education	buildings
		<input type="checkbox"/> funerary	sites
		<input type="checkbox"/> government	structures
		<input type="checkbox"/> health care	objects
		<input type="checkbox"/> industry	Total
		<input type="checkbox"/> landscape	
		<input type="checkbox"/> recreation/culture	
		<input type="checkbox"/> religion	
		<input type="checkbox"/> social	
		<input type="checkbox"/> transportation	
		<input type="checkbox"/> work in progress	
		<input type="checkbox"/> unknown	
		<input type="checkbox"/> vacant/not in use	
		<input type="checkbox"/> other:	

Number of Contributing Resources previously listed in the Inventory

7. Description

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Condition

<input type="checkbox"/> excellent	<input type="checkbox"/> deteriorated
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> good	<input type="checkbox"/> ruins
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> fair	<input type="checkbox"/> altered

Prepare both a one paragraph summary and a comprehensive description of the resource and its various elements as it exists today.

The Michael and Bernadette Wilson Farm is a 143.9 Acre farmstead on the southeast side of MD 140 and the Monocacy River in Carroll County, Maryland. It consists of 7 buildings – a house, an attached summer kitchen, a bank barn, a concrete silo, a shed and a chicken coop. The two-car garage is attached to the summer kitchen and is not fifty years of age.

The Wilson House is a 2-1/2 storey, five bay, double pile dwelling. It has a side-gable roof with a front gable dormer above the center entrance. There is one rear two story addition on the west façade and an attached summer kitchen southwest of the main pile. These dependencies are integral to the original construction of the main pile. The windows are one over one and are surrounded by decorative exterior frames. The main pile is clad in aluminum, while the rear addition is clad in asbestos shingles. The front porch roof is a shed variety and it is supported by a decorative cornice, brackets and posts, extending along three of the five bays. The deck is made of concrete, which is supported by concrete blocks. Likewise the roof cornice is supported by decorative brackets. A shed-roof hyphen connects the rear addition to the summer kitchen. The rear two storey addition has two bays and a front gable roof. There are two exterior chimneys. The main entrance is surrounded by six lights.

The summer kitchen has one story and an attic. The roof has log rafters supporting it, but the exterior roof is clad in asphalt shingles. There is a large stone fireplace on the first floor. It has one hipped roof, concrete block addition on the south façade. The windows are six over six, and the exterior is clad with aluminum siding.

Bank Barn and concrete silo – the barn is an example of a German bank barn with vertical siding, a standing seam metal roof and louvered vents. The double doors are in the center of the north wall. The eastern end of the barn extends out from the bank allowing passage to the pasture on the south side of the barn. The concrete silo appears to be an example of a concrete stave silo, although the horizontal staves and roof are missing. The bank barn and silo are not currently in use.

Corrugated metal tractor shed – a large, metal building with a gable roof, used at one time as a chicken house.

Concrete block building with front gable corrugated metal roof has a double sliding door and one window in the front gable.

8. Significance

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Period	Areas of Significance	Check and justify below			
<input type="checkbox"/> 1600-1699	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> agriculture	<input type="checkbox"/> economics	<input type="checkbox"/> health/medicine	<input type="checkbox"/> performing arts	
<input type="checkbox"/> 1700-1799	<input type="checkbox"/> archeology	<input type="checkbox"/> education	<input type="checkbox"/> industry	<input type="checkbox"/> philosophy	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1800-1899	<input type="checkbox"/> architecture	<input type="checkbox"/> engineering	<input type="checkbox"/> invention	<input type="checkbox"/> politics/government	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1900-1999	<input type="checkbox"/> art	<input type="checkbox"/> entertainment/	<input type="checkbox"/> landscape architecture	<input type="checkbox"/> religion	
<input type="checkbox"/> 2000-	<input type="checkbox"/> commerce	<input type="checkbox"/> recreation	<input type="checkbox"/> law	<input type="checkbox"/> science	
	<input type="checkbox"/> communications	<input type="checkbox"/> ethnic heritage	<input type="checkbox"/> literature	<input type="checkbox"/> social history	
	<input type="checkbox"/> community planning	<input type="checkbox"/> exploration/	<input type="checkbox"/> maritime history	<input type="checkbox"/> transportation	
	<input type="checkbox"/> conservation	<input type="checkbox"/> settlement	<input type="checkbox"/> military	<input type="checkbox"/> other: _____	

Specific dates	1862-1965	Architect/Builder
Construction dates	1862-1965	

Evaluation for:

☒ National Register ☐ Maryland Register ☐ not evaluated

Prepare a one-paragraph summary statement of significance addressing applicable criteria, followed by a narrative discussion of the history of the resource and its context. (For compliance projects, complete evaluation on a DOE Form – see manual.)

The Michael and Bernadette Wilson Farm contains a dwelling and four outbuildings that is an example of a farm dating from the mid-to-late nineteenth to the middle of the twentieth century. The original parcel of the "Home Farm" was 159 acres, but since 1942, several parcels have been sold, reducing the farm's acreage to 143.9 acres.

The Italianate style house exemplifies the relative success and prosperity of the farm's then-owner, Stephen Smith. Its construction can be dated as early as 1862 when he purchased what was called the "Home Farm" but perhaps as late as the 1880s prior to his death in 1882. The dwelling has plaster interior and pine log rafters.

The outbuildings represent a continuous farming history from the late nineteenth through the mid-twentieth centuries. The outbuildings were used for dairying, as well as for raising chickens, and maintaining winter feed in the silo. The bank barn dates to the late nineteenth century, has a timber frame, but is not currently in use by the present owner.¹

The concrete silo dates to the 1920s or 1930s. The concrete stave silo was introduced in 1910, and it appears that the exterior metal bands have been lost, as has the roof. According to the present owner, Michael Wilson, earlier owners built a trench silo further to the west, beyond the barn. Trench silos were more common when keeping silage first became popular in the third quarter of the nineteenth century.² Like the bank barn, it is no longer used.

Prior to the Wilsons' purchase of the farm in 1995, the owners rented it and the tenants raised corn and soy beans. Since 1995, the Wilsons have primarily raised beef cattle.³

See the attached Determination of Eligibility for the National Register of Historic Places evaluation.

¹ Allen G. Noble and Richard K. Cleek, *The Old Barn Book, A Field Guide to North American Barns & Other Farm Structures*, New Brunswick, NJ: Rutgers University Press, 1997, p. 51.

² *Ibid.* p. 161. See also Peggy Lee Beedle, "Silos: An Agricultural Success Story," *Giving Old Barns New Life*, University of Wisconsin Extension, State Historical Society of Wisconsin and Wisconsin Trust of Historic Preservation, downloaded from Learningstore.unex.edu April 1, 2009, and Pennsylvania History and Museum Commission, Agricultural History Project, Pennsylvania's Agricultural History, Agricultural Field Guide – Outbuildings, downloaded from www.portal.state.pa.us/portal April 1, 2009.

³ Personal communication with Michael Wilson, November 18, 2008.

9. Major Bibliographical References

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www.mdlandrec.net, Carroll County Deed Books downloaded March 30, 2009.

10. Geographical Data

Acreage of surveyed property 143.9

Acreage of historical setting 143.9

Quadrangle name Taneytown

Quadrangle scale: 1:24,000

Verbal boundary description and justification

The historic boundary of the Michael and Bernadette Wilson Farm is confined to the present 143.9 acres that are shown on Carroll County Tax Map 18, Parcel 1 (2007) on the east side of Bullfrog Road, south of MD 140 and east of the Monocacy River.

11. Form Prepared by

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city or town	Baltimore,	state	MD 21202

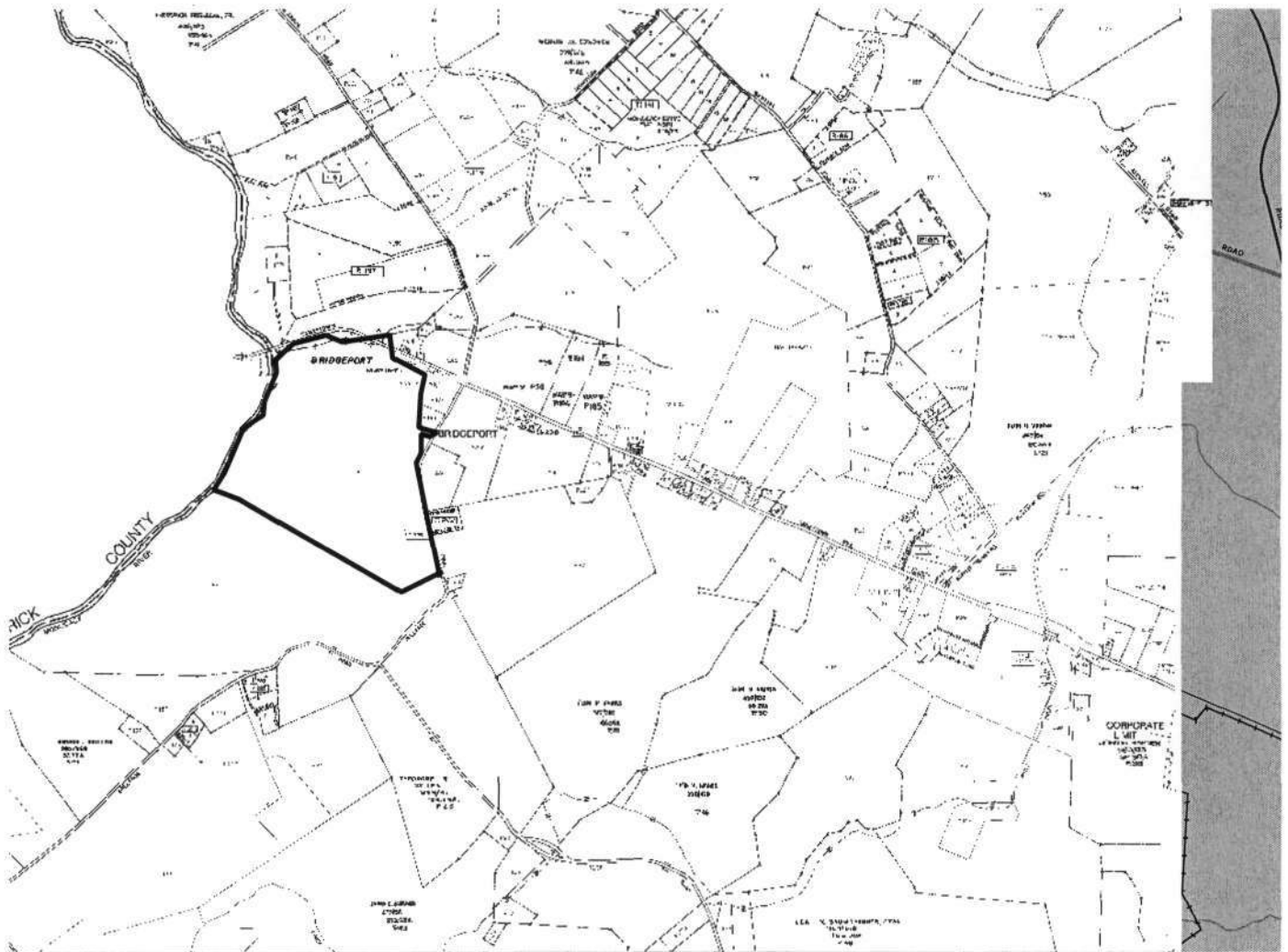
The Maryland Inventory of Historic Properties was officially created by an Act of the Maryland Legislature to be found in the Annotated Code of Maryland, Article 41, Section 181 KA, 1974 supplement.

The survey and inventory are being prepared for information and record purposes only and do not constitute any infringement of individual property rights.

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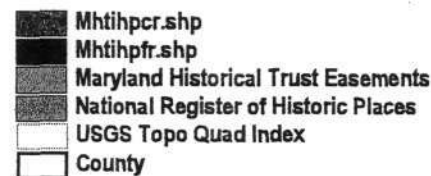
Carroll County Tax Maps 9 and 18
Wilson Farm, 3510 Bullfrog Road, Taneytown
Parcel 1
Historic Boundary
1:24,000

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USGS Topo Quad Index
County

Location Map
USGS Taneytown Quad
1:24,000





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WILSON FARM
CHEROKEE CO, MD

A BRIDGE

W/2008

MD SAPO

WILSON HOUSE - EXT E, SOUTH
FACADES.

Y/H



CASE-1710

WILSON FARM

CARROLL CO., MD.

APR 2008

W/2008

MD CALF

EAST & NORTH FACADES WILSON
HOUSE

2/11



CASE-1710.

WILSON FARM.

CAROL CO., MD.

A FENDER.

N/2000.

MD SAPO

WILSON HOUSE MAIN ENTRANCE

3/11



CASE-1710

WILSON FARM.

CASSON CO., MD.

AFRINGER

W/2008

IND CALPO

WILSON HOUSE, WINDOW IN NORTH
FACADE.

4/11



~~CASE~~ 1710.
WILSON FARM.
CARROLL CO., MD.

A BINDER

W/RECORDS

MD SAPO.

WILSON FARM SUMMER KITCHEN
(EAST FACADE).

5/11



CASE-1710

WILSON FARM.

GEORGE CO., MD.

A SQUAD.

W/2000

MD S&PO.

INTERIOR OF SUMMER KITCHEN -
FIRE PLACE.

6/11



CASE-1710
WILSON FARM.
CARROLL Co., MD
A BORDER

WOOD

MD SAPO

WILSON HOUSE, BEING TO CHED,
SUMMER KITCHEN & GARAGE

LOOKING AT WEST (SIDE) OF HOUSE
7/11



CASE-1710

WILSON FARM

CALVERT CO., MD

A FRIENDER.

W/2000

MD SAPO

RARE FARM LOOKING AT NORTH

FACADE

2/11



CARE-1710

WILSON FARM

CARECO Co., MD.

ABENDER

W/2000

MD CALFA

CONCRETE SILO @ FANK FARM.

LOOKING SOUTHWEST

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WILSON FARM.

Ceccon Co., MD.

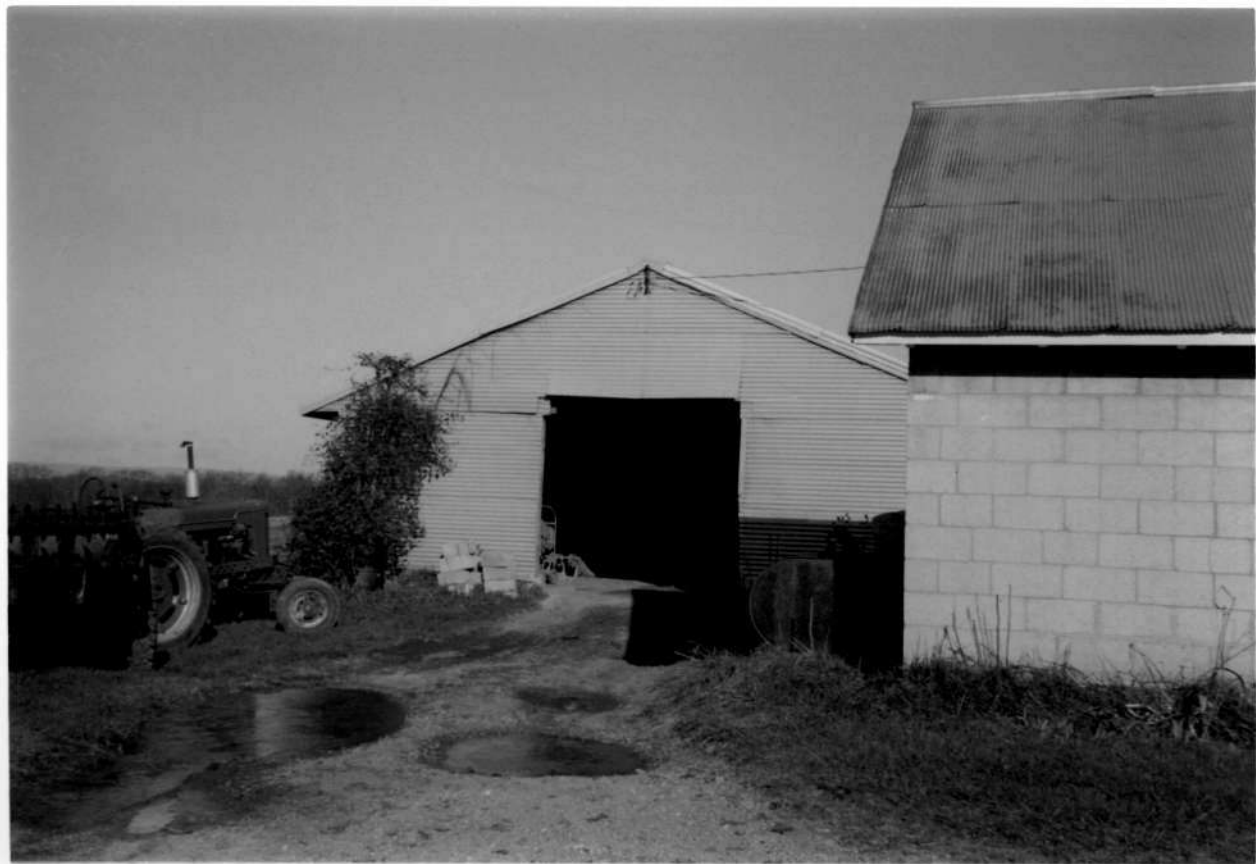
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W/2008

MD SAFC

WILSON FARM. SAKED #1

10/11



Q88-1710
WILSON FARM.
GREEN CO., MD.

A BRIDGE

W/DOOR

MD SAPO

Wilson Farm Sided #2

W/H